

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

- Please replace paragraph 11 with the following.

A1 [0011] The vehicle lock 1 also includes a catch 5 rotatably arranged in connection with an elongated recess 6 in the lock casing 2. The elongated recess 6 in the lock casing 2 is designed to receive a lock pin 7 that can be arranged, for example, on an openable part of the vehicle such as a door. On the opposite side of the elongated recess 6 a rotary bolt 8 with a recess 8a designed to receive the lock pin 7 is rotatably arranged in connection with the elongated recess 6. In the position shown, the rotary bolt 8 is engaged with the catch 5. This position is for preventing the lock pin 7, when it is in the recess 8a of the rotary bolt, from leaving the elongated recess 6 in the lock casing 2, thereby keeping the openable part of the vehicle locked in the vehicle.

- Please replace paragraph 12 with the following.

A2 [0012] Next to that free end 4a of the cable pointing towards the lock casing 2 is an operating device 9 such as a mechanical operating device. This operating device 9 is designed, when shifted by the vehicle lock 1 from a locked position 14b to an unlocked position 14a, to position the free cable end 4a or the cable sheath 3 so that the free cable end 4a in the unlocked position 14a is directed for engagement with a cable seat 10 arranged in the catch 5. The cable seat 10 may also be formed on a moveable part operatively connected to the catch 5. As the cable 4 is further displaced, the cable seat 10 will take up the free end 4a of the cable and impart a torsional movement to the catch 5. The catch 5 is disengaged from the rotary bolt 8, thereby releasing the bolt. With the operating device 9 in the locked position 14b, the free end 4a of the cable pointing towards the lock casing 2 or the cable sheath 3 is designed to assume an orientation wherein the cable end 4a is directed to the side of the cable seat 10 when it is forced out of that end 3a of the cable sheath directed towards the lock casing 2. For example, this can occur when acted upon by a door handle for pushing down the other end of the cable in the cable sheath 3. Since the cable seat 10 is not acted upon, the catch 5 and, hence, the rotary bolt 8 remain unaffected. The lock pin 7 of the openable part of the vehicle remains locked in the elongated recess 6 of the lock casing 2.

- Please replace paragraph 15 with the following.

A3 [0015] The lock 1 includes a catch 5 rotatably arranged in connection with an elongated recess 6 in the lock casing 2. The elongated recess 6 is designed to receive a lock pin 7. The lock pin 7 can be arranged, for example, on an openable part of the vehicle such as a door. On the opposite side of the elongated recess 6 a rotary bolt 8 having a recess 8a designed to receive the lock pin 7 is rotatably arranged in connection with the elongated recess 6. In the position shown, the rotary bolt 8 is engaged with the catch 5. This is intended to prevent the lock pin 7, when it is in the recess 8a of the rotary bolt, from leaving the elongated recess 6 in the lock casing 2, thereby keeping the openable part of the vehicle locked in the vehicle.

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[0016] A shaft 11 having a reversing arm 12 is rotatably fixed thereon is arranged in connection with the free end of the 4a of the cable pointing towards the lock casing 2. A mechanical actuating element (not shown), such as a central locking motor, is designed to impart a torsional movement to the reversing arm 12 about the shaft 11 between a locked position 14b and an unlocked position 14a.

[• Please replace paragraph 17 with the following.]

A4 [0017] On the reversing arm 12 in connection with the shaft 11 there is an actuating element 13 designed, when the reversing arm 12 rotates, to act upon the free cable end 4a pointing towards the lock casing 2 in the direction of the shaft 11. The actuating element 13 can be designed, for example, as a radially elongated recess arranged perpendicular to the axis of rotation of the shaft 11, through which recess the free cable end 4a passes. When the reversing arm 12 rotates, the actuating element 13 will move around the cable 4 between positions A and B shown diagrammatically in the figure.

[• Please replace paragraph 18 with the following.]

[0018] The cable sheath 3 is fixed to the lock casing 2 at an angle to the shaft 11 of the reversing arm 12. When the reversing arm 12 rotates between the unlocked position 14a and the locked position 14b, the actuating element 13 causes the free cable end 4a pointing towards the lock casing 2 to be displaced in the direction of the shaft 11.

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AS [0020] A cable seat 10 can be integrally formed with the catch 5. The cable seat 10 can also be formed on a moveable part operatively connected to the catch 5. When the cable 4 is pushed down in the cable sheath 3, the free cable end 4a pointing towards the lock casing 2 will be displaced out of that end 3a of the cable sheath fixed to the lock casing. When the reversing arm 12 is in the unlocked position 14a, the actuating element 13 directs the cable end 4a for engagement with the cable seat 10. By further displacing the cable 4, the cable seat 10 takes up the free end 4a of the cable and imparts a torsional movement to the catch 5. The catch 5 is disengaged from the rotary bolt 8, thereby releasing the bolt 8. Once released, a torsional movement can be imparted to the rotary bolt 8 allowing the locking pin 7 to leave the recess 6 in the lock casing 2.

- (• Please replace paragraph 21 with the following.)

AF5 [0021] As the actuating element 13 is moved about the shaft 11 of the reversing arm 12 into the locked position 14b, the free end 4a of the cable pointing towards the lock casing 2 is deflected in the direction of the shaft 11. Because the deflection of the cable end 4a occurs only in the direction of the shaft 11 and because the cable end 4a does not act upon the actuating element 13 in a radial direction, any forces that might generate torque counteracting the rotation of the reversing arm 12 between the unlocked position 14a and the locked position 14b will thereby not be transmitted from the cable 4 to the reversing arm 12. Due to the axial deflection, the cable end 4a in the locked position 14b is oriented in such a way that the cable end 4a is directed to the side of the cable seat 10 when it is forced out of that end of the cable sheath 3 fixed in the lock casing 2. This can occur, for example, when acted upon by a door handle pushing down the other end of the cable 4 in the cable sheath 3. Since the cable seat 10 is not acted upon, the catch 5 and, therefore the rotary bolt 8, remain unaffected, and the lock pin 7 of the openable part of the vehicle remain locked in the recess 6 of the lock casing.

- (• Please replace paragraph 22 with the following.)

[0022] It will be obvious to one skilled in the art that the element for actuation of the free cable end 4a pointing towards the lock casing 2 can be designed in a number of alternative ways while still retaining the positive characteristics according to the invention. For example, in the embodiment according to Figure 1, the actuating element may be an electrical, pneumatic or hydraulic operating device. In the embodiment according to Figure 2, the actuating element may be designed as a loop or the like that is fixed to the reversing arm 12. A thermal, magnetic, electrochemical or piezoelectric operating device or an operating device that uses a memory metal may also be used as the operating device 9.
